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HOUSE RESOLUTION

2 WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of
3 Representatives are pleased to recognize the 10th anniversary
4 of the Chicago Theatre District; and

5 WHEREAS, The major impetus behind the creation of the
6 Chicago Theatre District was the founding of Broadway in
7 Chicago, which began in July of 2000 as a joint venture between
8 the Nederlander Organization and Live Nation; Broadway in
9 Chicago, along with the League of Chicago Theatres and the
10 Goodman Theatre, worked tirelessly to create a national
11 reputation for stage theatre in the City of Chicago; and

12 WHEREAS, The City of Chicago has seen great economic growth
13 from the Chicago Theatre District and its productions; the
14 district has more than 800 stage productions every year, which
15 draw more than 5 million theater-goers across the city; and

16 WHEREAS, The Chicago Theatre District's productions help
17 to bring tourists to the city, whose dollars support hotels,
18 restaurants, museums, retail stores, and jobs in Chicago; the
19 district has also provided jobs for actors, artistic designers,
20 and others who work in the theater; and

21 WHEREAS, The Chicago Theatre District attracts new

1 residents who come to the city looking for a vibrant arts scene
2 and has enabled Chicago's reputation as an arts destination to
3 grow; and

4 WHEREAS, The Chicago Theatre District has brought the eyes
5 of the world upon the City of Chicago and its marvelous theatre
6 productions; therefore, be it

7 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
8 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
9 recognize the 10th anniversary of the Chicago Theatre District
10 and congratulate the district's staff and performers on
11 bringing entertainment and economic development to the people
12 of Chicago; and be it further

13 RESOLVED, That we recognize and thank Chicago Mayor Richard
14 M. Daley for his leadership in the creation of the Chicago
15 Theatre District and for his unwavering commitment to the arts;
16 and be it further

17 RESOLVED, That suitable copies of this resolution be
18 presented to Chicago Mayor Richard M. Daley and the organizers
19 of Broadway in Chicago, the League of Chicago Theatres, and the
20 Goodman Theatre.